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FORMAL CHANGE-OF-COMMAND CEREMONIES FOR ADMIRAL CHESTER R. BENDER RELIEVING RETIRING ADMIRAL WILLARD J. SMITH, HELD ON BOARD THE 378-FT. COAST GUARD CUTTER GALLATIN (WHEC-721) AT THE NAVY YARD, WITH THE 210-FT. CUTTER ALERT (WMEC-630) ASSISTING IN ACCOMMODATING GUESTS.

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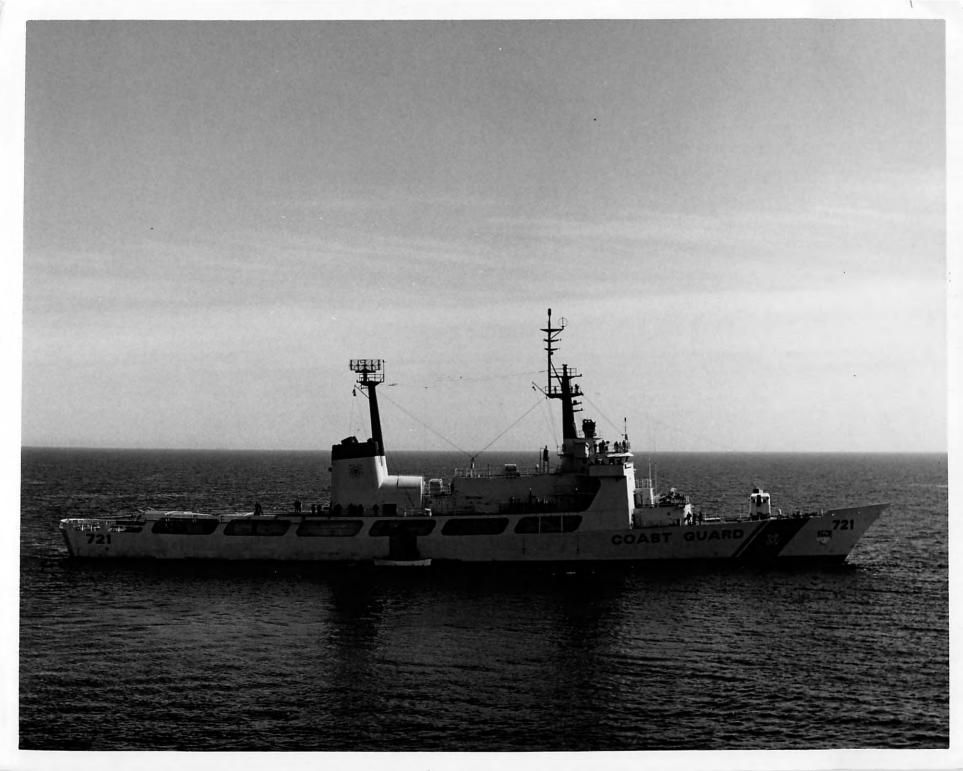
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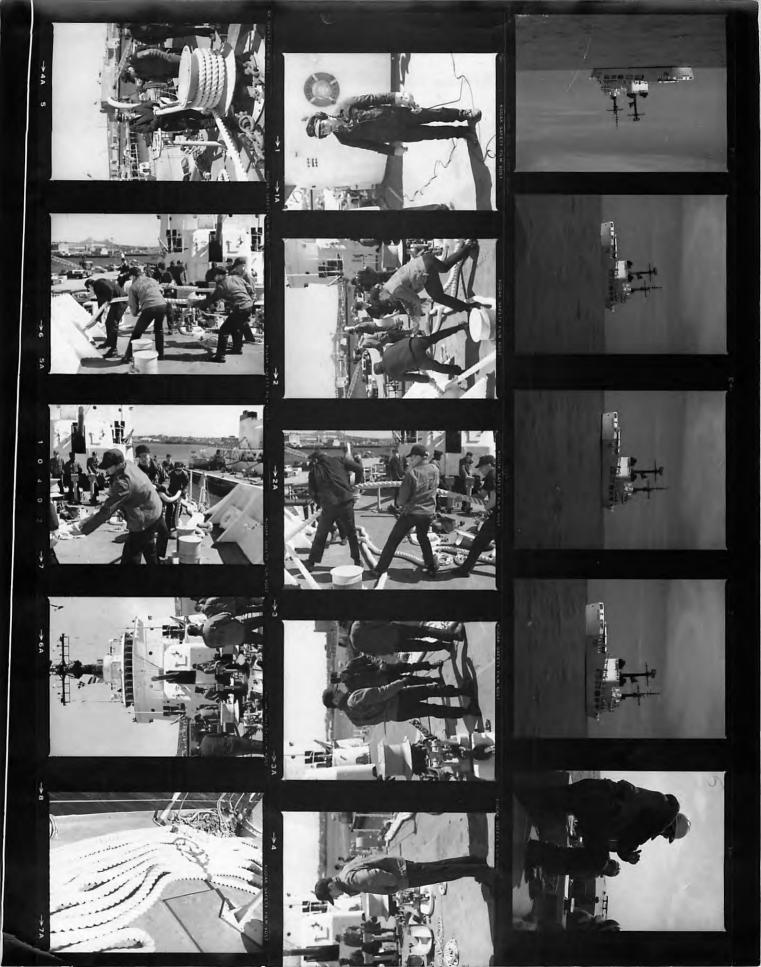
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COAST GUARD HOSTS NAVY BRASS

Admiral Thomas B. Hayward, Chief of Naval Operations, and Vice Admiral James H. Doyle, Jr., Deputy Chief of Naval Operations for Surface Warfare, visited the U. S. Coast Guard Cutter GALLATIN this morning for a first-hand look at how the Coast Guard gets things done.

Upon their arrival by helicopter, they were greeted by Admiral John B. Hayes, Commandant, U.S. Coast Guard, Captain John D. Costello, Chief of Staff, Third Coast Guard District, and Captain J. D. Fear, Commanding Officer of GALLATIN.

The visit to GALLATIN, a 378-foot cutter, was part of a study aimed at reconfiguring the 378-foot class cutters to equip them with more modern gun and fire control, new radar and sonar capabilities, and other refinements that would make them more efficient as part of the Navy's arsenal. Ordinarily an element of the Department of Transportation, during time of war or national emergency, the Coast Guard becomes a part of the Navy.

Of special interest to the Navy visitors was the success that GALLATIN has had with women as an integral part of her crew since 1977. The Navy only recently assigned women to its ships.

Following a demonstration of GALLATIN's maneuvarability utilizing her twin gas turbine engines that can drive the cutter at speeds in excess of 28 knots, the visitors toured the cutter.

Also in attendance were Captain William A.

Cockell, Jr,. Executive Assistant to Chief of Naval

Operations, and Lieutenant Colonel Clifford R.

Dunning, U. S. Marine Corps, Aide to the Chief of

Naval Operations.

CAST OF CHARACTERS

- Admiral Thomas B. Hayward, Chief of Naval Operations
- Admiral John B. Hayes, Commandant, U. S. Coast Guard
- VADM James H. Doyle, Jr., USN, Deputy Chief of Naval Operations for Surface Warfare
- -VADM Robert I. Price, Commander, Atlantic Area and Commander
 Third Coast Guard District
 - Captain John D. Costello, Chief of Staff, 3rd Coast Guard District
- Captain William A. Cockell, Jr., Executive Assistant to Chief of Naval Operations
- Lieutenant Colonel Clifford R. Dunning, USMC, Aide to Chief of Naval Operations
- CDR James Finklestein, Public Affairs, U. S. Navy
- LCDR Ronald A. Simons, Aide to CG Commandant

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